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For: Modified Nucleotide Compounds)

December 7, 1992
New York, New York

Honorable Commissioner
of Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115

Dear Sirs:

Kindly enter this Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115 to the Office Action that was mailed on June 5, 1992 in connection with the above-identified application. This Amendment is accompanied by a Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time and the fee therefor, thereby extending the response deadline to December 5, 1992. Because December 5, 1992 falls on a Saturday, a response filed on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, namely, Monday, December 7, 1992, is considered timely filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. Accordingly, this Amendment being timely filed.

PLEASE AMEND THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION AS FOLLOWS:

Amend claims 1, 21 and 41 as follows:

Claim 1, line 3, after "modified" insert "or unmodified".

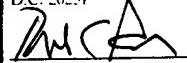
Claim 21, line 6, after "modified" insert "or unmodified".

Claim 41, line 6, after "modified" insert "or unmodified".

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